

this are in jeopardy. It simply will not happen, and, of course, the motivating section was the Presidio. That is not included. Sterling Forest, I might add, in New Jersey and New York, is not included. It is my understanding the appropriators chose to put in Mount Hood in honor of Senator HATFIELD, as well as very early this morning adding the San Francisco Bay cleanup, which was part of the Presidio omnibus package and now will be moving evidently on a separate track.

Unless the administration sees fit to lift their hold, the Presidio, Utah Snow Basin, Sterling Forest, and all those 126 will be lost, and we will have to start again in the next Congress. Evidently, the San Francisco Bay cleanup has gone on the appropriations process, as well as Mount Hood. So that is what we are left with.

I thank the majority leader.

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, will the majority leader yield?

Mr. LOTT. I will be glad to yield.

Mr. FORD. I think negotiations are still available. I hope we can use the same procedure we did with the Kassebaum-Kennedy bill: have an agreement before it is referred back to conference. I think that is still doable. I would not say to my friend to throw it over his shoulder and forget it, that is the end of it. I think we ought to continue to try to work it out and have an agreement worked out prior to sending it back. I think it can be worked on.

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Let me say we stand ready. We spoke with the White House last night about the 46 items they found objectionable and potentially subject to veto, and we are still awaiting word back from the White House on those. So I appreciate the response of the majority leader and the response of the Senator from Kentucky. Again, we stand ready to respond.

Mrs. BOXER. Will the majority leader yield to me for a moment?

Mr. LOTT. Yes, I will, Mr. President.

Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I thank all the parties. I think we should not let this moment go by, I say to my majority leader, because I do believe there are so many wonderful things in the package that have been assembled by the Senator from Alaska. I know he has invested himself personally in the Presidio. He has been out there and he has shown, by his presence there, the bipartisan support we have out there.

This is one of the few issues where we have President Clinton, we have Senator Dole, we have Vice President GORE and Vice Presidential candidate Kemp all in agreement. We have FRANK MURKOWSKI and BARBARA BOXER agreeing that we have to do something with this Presidio.

I talked with Congressman MILLER this morning. I know he is trying hard to come up with a compromise. I just think, knowing all of you as I do, there has to be some way we can reach agreement. I stand ready to help in any way. Please contact me at any point in the negotiations if I can be of help.

Mr. LOTT. I thank the Senator.

#### UNANIMOUS-CONSENT REQUEST— H.R. 4137

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 4137, a bill to combat drug-facilitated crimes of violence, which is at the desk.

I further ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed; that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; and that any statements appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, I think this is another one they are still trying to work out. But on behalf of Senators on my side, I must object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I do hope the effort will continue to be made to work it out, because it would, as I said, combat drug-facilitated crimes of violence, including sexual assaults. I don't know where the hangup is.

Mr. FORD. I say to my friend, I don't know either. I am doing like he does. He has some friends on his side who object. I have them on my side. I understand everyone is feverishly working on a lot of things. The push to get out of here soon may cause us to get out later. So I hope we can all work together.

I thank my friend.

#### UNANIMOUS-CONSENT REQUEST— H.R. 4134

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 634, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to deny public education benefits to illegal aliens; further, that the bill be deemed read a third time and passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BURNS). Is there objection?

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, on behalf of Senators on my side, I object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

#### UNANIMOUS-CONSENT REQUEST— S. 1174

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 484, S. 1174, a bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Lamprey River in New Hampshire as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; further, that the bill be deemed read a third time and passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. FORD. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, this is one of the items in the so-called Presidio parks bill that is being attempted to be jerked out. I think if we are going to agree on one, we ought to agree on all or agree on the bill. So, therefore, I must object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

#### UNANIMOUS-CONSENT REQUEST— H.R. 2715

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Governmental Affairs Committee be discharged from H.R. 2715 and, further, that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration, and, further, that the bill be deemed read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the bill appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. FORD. Reserving the right to object, Mr. President, the distinguished majority whip asked me about this one earlier, how we could get it cleared. And I had given that information. So we are working on this bill. And until we get an answer back from your side, I must object. But I think we are moving in the right direction.

I object, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

Mr. LOTT. This is the Paperwork Elimination Act. We will continue to work to see what we can do on that. I am aware of the Senator's other interests, and we are checking on that to see how we can work it out.

Mr. FORD. A quid pro quo here.

Mr. LOTT. We have been known to do that on occasion, for the best interests of the country.

Mr. FORD. You got that right.

#### UNANIMOUS-CONSENT REQUEST— H.R. 3719

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 3719, which is at the desk, further, that a substitute amendment at the desk offered by Senators BOND and BUMPERS be agreed to, the bill be deemed read a third time, passed, and that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to this Small Business Act and Small Business Investment Act, which are amendments to the existing law of 1958, be placed at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. FORD. Reserving the right to object, Mr. President, this is the Small Business Act, as the majority leader said, and the Small Business Investment Act. Several Senators on both